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Title: ELECTRICAL NOISE PROTECTION

REMARKS

The Final Office Action mailed on June 13, 2005 as well as the art cited has been reviewed. Claims 1-26 are currently pending in this application and claims 8-10, 14, 15, 19-21, 25 and 26 have been withdrawn from consideration. Proposed amendments to claims 1 and 16 are set forth herein. Also, it is respectfully requested that claims 7 and 18 be canceled. Upon entry of the proposed amendments and cancellations, claims 1-6, 8-17, and 19-26 would be pending and claims 8-10, 14, 15, 19-21, 25 and 26 would be withdrawn from consideration.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 7 and 18 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the proposed amendments to claims 1 and 16. The proposed amendments to claims 1 and 16 incorporate language previously recited in claims 7 and 18, respectively. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1 and 16, as amended, are allowable as well as all claims depending therefrom.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-4, 6, and 11-13 were rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by Akiba et al., (U.S. Patent No. 6,353,540).

Applicant respectfully submits that this rejection would be rendered moot in view of the proposed amendment to claim 1.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 5, 16-17, and 22-24 were rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Akbia et al. in view of Hirashiro et al. (U.S. Patent No. JP 40606980A).

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Applicant respectfully submits that this rejection would be rendered moot in view of the proposed amendments to claims 1 and 16.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims would be in condition for allowance upon entry of the proposed amendments and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayments to Deposit Account No. 502432.

If the Examiner has any questions or concerns regarding this application, please contact the undersigned at 612-455-1681.

Respectfully submitted,

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